

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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Compilation of Labourers' Data
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Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether as per the official data, the number of labourers in the country is fifty lakh only while the actual figure touches six crore;
- (b) the reaction of the Government thereto;
- (c) the details of the basis of compilation of such official data; and
- (d) the efforts made by the Government to compile the child labour related data?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT
(SHRI BANDARU DATTATREYA)

(a) to (d): As per results of surveys conducted by NSSO, the number of working children (5-14 years) estimated on usual status basis was 91 lakh during 2004-05, 50 lakh during 2009-10 and 40 lakh during 2011-12 showing a declining trend. The methodology adopted by NSSO in its surveys is based on sound statistical methods and is internationally accepted.
